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**Pipeline and Hazardous
Materials Safety Administration**

DOT-SP 14924
(FOURTH REVISION)

EXPIRATION DATE: February 28, 2016

(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR § 107.109)

1. GRANTEE: Explosive Service International Ltd.
Baton Rouge, LA
2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:
 - a. This special permit authorizes the transportation in commerce of certain explosives by vessel in an alternative stowage configuration. This special permit provides no relief from the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR) other than as specifically stated herein. The most recent revision supersedes all previous revisions.
 - b. The safety analyses performed in the development of this special permit only considered the hazards and risks associated with the transportation in commerce.
 - c. No party status will be granted to this special permit.
3. REGULATORY SYSTEM AFFECTED: 49 CFR Parts 106, 107 and 171-180.
4. REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED: 49 CFR § 176.144(e) in that explosive materials in different compatibility groups must be separated when stowed on deck; § 176.116(e) in that explosive materials must not be stowed directly above machinery spaces; § 176.120 in that lightning protection is required; § 176.137(a)(7) in that portable magazines must be marked "explosives - Handle carefully-keep lights and fire away"; § 176.138(b) in that explosive materials must be stowed 26 feet from machinery and accommodation spaces while

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on deck; § 176.164(e) in that two sets of self-contained breathing apparatus are required and no fire pump is required with small crews of 4-6 sailors; and § 176.178(b) in that towing wires must be secured to the mooring bits.

5. BASIS: This special permit is based on the application of Explosive Service International Ltd. dated January 24, 2012, submitted in accordance with § 107.105 and the public proceeding thereon.
6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR § 172.101):

Hazardous Materials Description			
Proper Shipping Name	Hazard Class/Division	Identification Number	Packing Group
Detonators, electric, for blasting	1.1B	UN0030	II
Detonators, electric, for blasting	1.4B	UN0255	II
Detonators, non-electric, for blasting	1.4B	UN0267	II
Detonator assemblies, non-electric, for blasting	1.4B	UN0361	II
Detonators, non-electric, for blasting	1.4S	UN0455	II
Detonators, electric, for blasting	1.4S	UN0456	II
Detonator, assemblies, non-electric, for blasting	1.4S	UN0500	II
Hexolite, or Hexotol dry or wetted with less than 15 percent water, by mass	1.1D	UN0118	II
Cord, detonating, flexible	1.4D	UN0289	II
Articles, explosive, n.o.s. (shock tube)	1.4S	UN0349	II

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Proper Shipping Name	Hazard Class/ Division	Identification Number	Packing Group
Boosters, without detonator	1.1D	UN0042	II
Cord, detonating, flexible	1.1D	UN0065	II
Cyclotrimethylenetrinitramine, desensitized or Cyclonite, desensitized or Hexogen, desensitized or RDX, desensitized	1.1D	UN0483	II
Cyclotrimethylenetrinitramine, wetted or Cyclonite, wetted or Hexogen, wetted or RDX, wetted with not less than 15 percent water, by mass	1.1D	UN0072	II

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES:

a. PACKAGING - Prescribed packaging is as authorized in the HMR.

b. OPERATIONAL CONTROLS -

1. Division 1.4B and 1.4S detonators must be stowed in a container that meets the specifications of Institute of Makers of Explosives (IME) Safety Library Publication No. 22. The quantities of 1.4B and 1.4S detonators within the container must not exceed quantities authorized in Table 2 of IME Safety Library Publication No. 22.
2. All other explosives must be stowed and transported as specified in the HMR. If the vessel to be used is not equipped with a fixed gas fire-extinguishing system and lightning protection all other explosives must also be stowed in a container that meets the specifications of IME Safety Library Publication No.22.
3. All containers of explosives must be stowed on deck.

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4. The vessel must have a steel deck that separates machinery spaces from the explosives unless authorized by the Captain of the Port (COTP).
5. All shipments under the terms of this special permit must be accompanied by a responsible person that will be in constant attendance of the explosives. This responsible person will remain on the vessel during carriage and will assist the master in the event of an emergency.
8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:
 - a. A person who is not a holder of this special permit who receives a package covered by this special permit may reoffer it for transportation provided no modification or change is made to the package and it is reoffered for transportation in conformance with this special permit and the HMR.
 - b. A current copy of this special permit must be maintained at each facility where the package is offered or reoffered for transportation.
9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Offshore supply vessels, work boats and crew boats.
10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS:
 - a. This special permit only applies to offshore supply vessels, work boats and crew boats operating in the Gulf of Mexico.
 - b. A current copy of this special permit must be carried aboard each vessel used to transport packages covered by this special permit.
11. COMPLIANCE: Failure by a person to comply with any of the following may result in suspension or revocation of this special permit and penalties prescribed by the Federal hazardous materials transportation law, 49 U.S.C. 5101 et seq:
 - o All terms and conditions prescribed in this special permit and the Hazardous Materials Regulations, 49 CFR Parts 171-180.

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- o Persons operating under the terms of this special permit must comply with the security plan requirement in Subpart I of Part 172 of the HMR, when applicable.
- o Registration required by § 107.601 et seq., when applicable.

Each "Hazmat employee", as defined in § 171.8, who performs a function subject to this special permit must receive training on the requirements and conditions of this special permit in addition to the training required by §§ 172.700 through 172.704.

No person may use or apply this special permit, including display of its number, when this special permit has expired or is otherwise no longer in effect.

Under Title VII of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU)—"The Hazardous Materials Safety and Security Reauthorization Act of 2005" (Pub. L. 109-59), 119 Stat. 1144 (August 10, 2005), amended the Federal hazardous materials transportation law by changing the term "exemption" to "special permit" and authorizes a special permit to be granted up to two years for new special permits and up to four years for renewals.

12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: Shipments or operations conducted under this special permit are subject to the Hazardous Materials Incident Reporting requirements specified in 49 CFR §§ 171.15 - Immediate notice of certain hazardous materials incidents, and 171.16 - Detailed hazardous materials incident reports. In addition, the grantee(s) of this special permit must notify the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, in writing, of any incident involving a package, shipment or operation conducted under terms of this special permit.

Issued in Washington, D.C.:



for Dr. Magdy El-Sibaie
Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety

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Address all inquiries to: Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, East Building PHH-30, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, Southeast, Washington, D.C. 20590.

Copies of this special permit may be obtained by accessing the Hazardous Materials Safety Homepage at http://hazmat.dot.gov/sp_app/special_permits/spec_perm_index.htm. Photo reproductions and legible reductions of this special permit are permitted. Any alteration of this special permit is prohibited.

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